

Claim N^o. 127.

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Under Article 4. Treaty of 14th. June 1866.
with Creek Indians.

The undersigned, Caesar Bruner,
Aged about 80. a Free man of Color of the Creek
Nation, widower, being duly examined and sworn,
(he understanding and conversing in the English
language,) deposes and says:

In the month of September 1863, he was
living on his place near North Fork Town, Creek
Nation, and was compelled to leave the same, hastily,
by the presence of the rebel Quantrill, who was in the
vicinity robbing and butchering loyal negroes. - That
he immediately fled to Gibson, and from thence to
Kansas, where he remained a refugee until the
close of the war, when he returned to the Nation.
This deponent further says that, at the time of his
flight from home, as aforesaid, he owned and possessed
and necessarily abandoned and lost all the property
hereinafter named, none of which has he ever since
found or recovered. To say:

8 Horses	\$400.	70 Cattle	\$700.	\$1100.00
4 Yoke Oxen	\$110.	1 Wagon	\$80	190.00
60 Hogs	\$260.	50 bushels Corn	\$50	310.00
House Furniture, Agricultural Tools, Kitchen Furniture &c. &c.				\$100.00
making a total valuation of sum				\$1700.00

Seventeen hundred dollars ~~mmmm~~
in further this deponent saith not. ^{his}
Caesar Bruner, ^X mark

Subscribed ³ Sworn to before me at the Creek ³
Agency On this 11th day of November ad 1869. ³

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The undersigned, Ben M^c Queen, and Aleck
Donge, Freedmen of the Creek Nation, being, jointly, duly
examined and sworn, do depose and say: They are not interested
in the claim of Caesar Bruner in any pecuniary manner
whatever: that they have heard the foregoing affidavit read
to them and know its contents to be correct and true in every
particular. These deponents further say; they know, of their
own knowledge, that the said Caesar Bruner, did, at the
time of his flight from home, as aforesaid, own and possess,
and did necessarily abandon and lose all the property
set forth in his deposition. Further these deponents do not say.

Ben M^c Queen, ^{his}
Aleck Donge, ^{his} mark ^{mark}

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Award

The loss of property specified above is deemed established by the foregoing testimony. Also the status of claimant. The amount claimed, however, is, in some instances, considered excessive. Upon inquiry, it is found, the value of the different kinds of property, at the time the loss occurred, ruled as follows:-

Horses:-

\$20.00 each.

Cattle:-

5.00 "

Oxen, Yokes of.

30.00 "

Hogs:-

2.00 "

Corn, per bushel.

.50 "

and for the following one-half the claimed value:

Weapons:-

\$40.00

House furniture, Agricultural Tools, }

\$50.00

Kitchen Furniture, &c.

In consideration of these, and all other facts, attainable, bearing upon the case, we believe it just and equitable to award this claimant, Caesar Bruner, Eight hundred and sixteen ^{1 # unexp} five dollars.-

\$865⁰⁰₁₀₀

W. B. Raym

Brevet Major General U. S. Army.

Dept. Indian Affairs, Southern Superintendency

F. A. Finch

Capt. U. S. Army - Creek Agent.